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1. UNCURK MET JULY 12 TO DISCUSS QUESTION OF UNCURK
TERMINATION AND AUSTRALIAN DRAFT "CONCLUDING
OBSERVATIONS".

2. AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR BOURCHIER TOLD AMBASSADOR
THAT NO PROGRESS WAS MADE AT MEETING. ACCORDING
BOURCHIER, THAI, PHILIPPINE AND TURKISH REPS STATED
THEY HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS ON QUESTION OF UNCURK TERMINA-
TION. THAI REP, WHO IS THIS MONTH'S CHAIRMAN,
PARTICULARLY NEGATIVE OUT OF PIQUE OVER FACT ROKG HAS
NOT SO FAR CONSULTED WITH UNCURK. TURKISH REP
COMMENTED THAT HE HAD NEITHER INSTRUCTIONS NOR FUNDS
TO PAY FOR TELEGRAPHIC REQUEST FOR ANKARA'S VIEWS.
PHILIPPINE REP MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE CONTRIBUTION TO
DISCUSSION. ONLY DUTCH REP INDICATED WILLINGNESS
SUPPORT AUSTRALIAN INITIATIVE TO BRING ABOUT UNCURK
TERMINATION.

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3. AS DESCRIBED BY BOURCHIER, UNCURK SESSION SOMEWHAT OF A SHAMBLES. IN THE ABSENCE OF CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS FROM HOME GOVERNMENTS IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT THAI, PHILIPPINE AND TURKISH REPS WILL TAKE NO ACTION WITHIN UNCURK.

4. BOURCHIER SAID AUSTRALIANS HAD HOPED BY END OF JULY TO HAVE UNCURK REPORT ALONG LINES THEY PROPOSED. HOWEVER, THIS CANNOT GET ANY STEAM BEHIND IT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS ROKG GIVES CLEAR SIGNAL AS TO ITS DESIRES, AND OTHER ALLIES, PARTICULARLY U.S. AND JAPAN ALSO MAKE KNOWN THEIR VIEWS. UNCURK REPORT COULD BE DELAYED A COUPLE OF WEEKS, ACCORDING TO BOURCHIER, BUT IN ANY EVENT REPRESENTATIVES WILL NEED SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS OR THEY WILL CONTINUE TO FLOUNDER.
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